

READY TO FIGHT ON AUTOMOBILE TAXES

Republicans and Democrats Are
Prepared to Make Trouble
On Proposed Increases.

If the Administration seriously attempts to force Congress to impose on the public taxes on automobiles and gasoline it will have trouble on its hands. Since the President read his message to Congress, the mutterings on these proposed taxes have been growing more and more audible.

Not only are the Republicans showing signs of bitter opposition to taxing of gasoline and automobiles, but many of the Democrats are not concealing their hostility.

It is not yet clear whether the effort will be made to bind the Democrats in the House by caucus rule to support the revenue measure when it comes forth from the Ways and Means Committee. But it is quite clear that if such an attempt is made there will be imminent danger of breaking up the caucus.

Some of the Democrats already are saying among themselves that they will not stand for caucus domination in the matter of how the additional revenue to meet the needs of preparing for the war should be raised.

The proposed taxes on pig iron and on manufactures of steel will also meet opposition. But the indications are they will not find the general opposition which is already manifested against the gasoline and automobile taxes.

With respect to the tax proposed for manufacturers of steel, its opponents are saying it is a tax on production, and that this policy is a great mistake.

It might be supposed the proposed tax on gasoline and automobiles would find little opposition from the agricultural States and districts. But this is not the case. On the contrary, with many farmers owning automobiles and using gasoline not alone for automobiles, but for gasoline engines for all manner of farm purposes, there is strong opposition from many members representing agricultural parts of the country.

One of the strong opponents of the gasoline and automobile taxes is Congressman Steele of Iowa, the only Democratic member from that State. He said such taxes would be a hardship to his district, and that a gasoline tax would hit every farmer who owned an automobile or used a gasoline engine for power of any sort.

ASKS MORE TIME TO FILE UTILITY DATA

Commission Suggests New Law
Extending Limit—Would
Regulate Car Vestibules.

With a request for its enactment, the Public Utilities Commission has sent to Congress the draft of a bill providing for thirty days extension of the time allowed public service concerns to file their annual reports.

Paragraph 14 of the Public Utilities law provides that the accounts of the Public Utilities shall be closed annually on December 31, and a balance sheet taken therefrom, and together with such other information as the commission shall prescribe, filed with the commission on or before February 1.

If amended as proposed, the law will allow the utilities until March 1 to file their annual reports. Experience has demonstrated that the commission states that the time allowed under existing law is too short to permit the utilities to close books and prepare the necessary data.

The commission recommends also, the repeal of the bill approved March 3, 1906, "for the relief of street car motormen." The law names specific dates within which cars without vestibules may not be operated. During certain seasons the weather is such that the commission states, that open cars can be operated without injury to the health of the motormen and with considerable benefit to the public, and since other matters affecting street railway operations are controlled by regulation of the commission, it appears that the matter of car vestibules also should be regulated.

Wins \$300 Damages.

A verdict for \$300 in its suit for \$500 has been returned by a jury in Justice Stafford's court in favor of the Christian and Eleanor Ruppert Home for Aged and Indigent Residents against Henry Evans. Damage to the property at 22-24 F street northwest while a tenant was sought by the Ruppert home.

Funerals

Henry P. Cattell.
Funeral services for Henry P. Cattell, a retired member of the Police Department, who died yesterday aged seventy-seven years, will be held at his late residence, 2304 Eighteenth street northwest, tomorrow at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made in Congressional Cemetery.

Mrs. Elizabeth Parriss.
Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Parriss, wife of Joseph Parriss, for fifteen years chief of the Fire Department of Washington, who died yesterday, will be held at the family residence, 459 Massachusetts avenue northwest, today, interment was made in Glenwood Cemetery.

Daniel O. Frye.
Funeral services for Daniel Ormond Frye, who died Tuesday, will be held at his late residence, 1304 Fairmont street northwest, today at 7:30 p. m. Interment will be made in Salem, Mass.

Mrs. Ariana Waters.
Funeral services for Mrs. Ariana Waters, who died yesterday, will be held at her late residence, 1728 Q street northwest, tomorrow at 11 o'clock. Interment will be private.

Mrs. L. A. Williams.
Funeral services for Mrs. L. A. Williams, who died yesterday, will be held at her late residence, 1817 F street southeast, tomorrow at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Barbara Pfeiffer.
Funeral services for Mrs. Barbara Pfeiffer, who died Tuesday in her eightieth year, will be held at her late residence, 447 New York avenue northwest, tomorrow at 9 o'clock, thence to St. Mary's Church, where mass will be celebrated. Interment will be made in Arlington Cemetery.

PROMINENT SUFFRAGIST DELEGATES



MISS CRYSTAL EASTMAN, of New York, and MISS HELEN TODD, of San Francisco.

SUFFRAGE WORKERS ADVERTISE PAGEANT

More Than 100 to Sit All Day
in Street Cars Displaying
Signs.

More than 100 suffrage workers from the Congressional Union started forth today, armed with signs advertising the Susan B. Anthony pageant to be given at Convention Hall Monday night, to sit all day in street cars displaying the signs.

In cars in all parts of the city the women rode back and forth throughout the morning, and intended keeping right on doing so until the late evening hours, displaying their signs.

Especially favorable for their purpose were the side seated cars, some of which were bespoken with women holding in front of them signs with the inscription in large black letters: "Do not miss the Susan B. Anthony Pageant, at Convention Hall, December 13, 8 o'clock. Tickets on sale at headquarters, 1420 F street northwest."

While the suffrage workers were busy advertising the pageant, more than a dozen children were busy in the streets at Convention Hall. Work also progressed on the stage settings, which Mortimer Clark is arranging in co-operation with Miss Hazel Mackay, who arranged the pageant.

A list of the patronesses of the pageant, completed today, follows: Christian Hemmick, Mrs. George Odell, Mrs. G. Brown Miller, Mrs. Henry Mount, Mrs. Mervyn Thompson, Mrs. Barrett, Hildred, Mrs. Robert Peary, Mrs. Richard Walnwright, Mrs. Robert Baker, Mrs. Henry E. F. Macfarland, Mrs. Appleton P. Clarke, Mrs. Theodore W. Noyes, Mrs. Harvey W. Wiley, Mrs. Henry Graves, Mrs. C. R. Sigable, Mrs. J. P. S. Nelke, Mrs. George Sutherland, Mrs. Reed Smoot, Mrs. William M. Borah, Mrs. Thomas J. Walsh, Mrs. Frank W. Mondell, Mrs. Reeve Lewis, Mrs. Henry Ashurst.

Women who are to lead the suffragists in their street car advertising of the pageant today include Mrs. Sara Bard Child, Oregon; Mrs. A. A. B. Hopkins, New Jersey; Miss Jessie Ashley, New York; Mrs. Frank Githen, New York; Miss Margaret Foley, Boston; Mrs. George Latimer, Baltimore; Mrs. C. M. Vail, New Jersey; Miss Margaret Whitmore, Michigan; Mrs. A. B. Colvin, Minnesota; Mrs. A. H. Potter, Minnesota; Miss C. M. Flannagan, Connecticut; Mrs. W. J. Bartlett, Connecticut; Mrs. Hugh H. Hampton, New York; Mrs. Hugh L. White, Tennessee; Mrs. Lawrence Lewis, Philadelphia; Mrs. Mabel Irwin, New York; Mrs. Crystal Eastman, Benedict, New York; Miss Lucille Atcherson, Ohio; Miss Helen Todd, California; Mrs. Grace B. Cooper, Washington; Mrs. Mary E. Perry, Washington; Mrs. Florence B. Morrill, Mrs. Emily Stearns.

Emmy Destinn Buys Home On Riverside Drive

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—It became known yesterday that Miss Emmy Destinn, the Bohemian soprano who is known to all opera goers, has purchased a house on Riverside Drive, and intends to make New York her permanent home. She returned from a Western concert tour last week and it was then that the real estate was transferred to her.

Miss Destinn owns a castle not far from Prague. She intends to become an American citizen.

Colorado Wets Stock Up; State Goes Dry January 1

DENVER, Dec. 9.—Many Colorado men are doing their Christmas shopping early. Nearly \$3,000,000 worth of wet goods is to be disposed of before midnight December 31. For on New Year's Day Colorado's state-wide prohibitory liquor law goes into effect. Hundreds of men while are laying in a big supply for the dry spell.

Keeping liquor in private club lockers will be illegal and even the use of brandy in mince pies will be unlawful.

Reno Divorce Is Held Invalid in New Jersey

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—A Reno divorce is not valid in New Jersey. This ruling was made by Vice Chancellor Stevenson. He sets aside a decree granted December 16, 1905, to George Lister, of Chicago, formerly of Hoboken.

Since obtaining the decree, Lister has married again, and has two children. He is ordered to pay his first wife \$500 counsel fees and alimony of \$15 a week.

Early Shopping Slogan Starts Christmas Rush

Earlier Buying and More Buying Than Ever, Say
Merchants—Steady Stream of Customers in
Mercantile District—Gift Shops
Aid Mere Male.

Washington shoppers are doing their Christmas shopping early, with a vengeance.

Never before, merchants say, have the shoppers been out in such force at such an early date. All through the present week the stores and shops have resembled the week before Christmas, instead of early December. And each day the rush has grown in momentum.

In every sort of buying the campaign of storekeepers, of newspapers, and of the Postoffice Department, to shop early and to shop early, has taken effect. Stores that in past years did not expect a rush until a few days before Christmas, have had to put on extra help, and all hands are working under a heavy pressure.

More Buying Too.
Not only is there early buying this season, but there is more buying, the merchants say, than there has been for some years. If the present stream of shoppers keeps up the Christmas volume of trade will be heavier than ever before.

From the steady stream of shoppers on all Washington's business streets the "S. P. Q." idea seems to have taken hold, with the emphasis on the "useless giving." Many of the presents this year are being purchased in hardware, furniture, clothing stores, and the like. The buying of useless articles "just to give something," the merchants say, is curbed by the earlier shopping, which affords buyers more of a chance to exercise common sense and good taste in their purchases.

Post Card Buying.
One notable feature of the purchases this year is the large number of picture post cards being bought. Those who wish only "to remember" friends are buying these artistic and inexpensive cards, rather than more costly and less attractive gifts.

The post cards seen this year have undergone a transformation. Only a few years past the post cards sent out were comparatively few, but this year there is a flood of artistic ones on the market, many of them designed by well-known illustrators, and many others containing reproductions of well-known art works. These have almost entirely supplanted the sort with a Santa Claus and a quady Christmas tree.

To Help the Males.
Another evidence of Christmas is the springing up of "gift shops" all along F street and in other shopping districts. These shops carry a wide variety of novelties which afford an easy way

Don't Suffer From Pain

Send For Free Trial Treatment.

No matter how long or how bad—go to your druggist today and get a 50 cent box of Pyramid File Treatment. It



will give relief, and a single box often cures. A trial package mailed free in plain wrapper if you send us coupon below.

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688 Pyramid Bldg., Marshall, Mich.
Kindly send me a Free sample of Pyramid File Treatment in plain wrapper.

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Street _____
City _____ State _____

CONTESTS \$1,000 FEE ASKED BY ANDERSON

Hannis Taylor Says Former
U. S. Solicitor's Arbitration
Award Met Contempt.

Hannis Taylor, administrator of the estate of Stanhope Prevost, has made answer to the claim of Chandler F. Anderson, formerly solicitor to the State Department, for \$1,000 for services rendered as a member of an arbitration board named to determine a sum due from the estate of George G. Hobson to the Prevost estate.

Mr. Taylor questioned the right of the probate court to hear Anderson's complaint, and asked for a dismissal of the petition on the grounds that Anderson's services consisted of an innocuous and platonic utterance in the form of a recommendation without any legal validity whatever and was treated with contempt by the administrator of the Hobson estate.

Mr. Anderson, Robert Lansing, now Secretary of State, and William L. Chambers served on the arbitration board. In Mr. Taylor's answer, the assertion is made that the claim of the Prevost estate against the Hobson estate was finally compromised for \$25,000 after which the administrator for the Hobson estate declared if the

NO ACID STOMACH, SOURNESS, GASES OR INDIGESTION

In five minutes your sick,
sour, upset stomach will
feel fine.

"Pape's Diapiesin" neutralizes acids in stomach and starts digestion.

Take your sour, out-of-door stomach—or maybe you call it indigestion, dyspepsia or gastric trouble—right with you to your pharmacist and ask him to open a 60-cent case of Pape's Diapiesin and let you eat one 2-grain tablet and see if within five minutes there is left any trace of your former misery.

The correct name for your trouble is food fermentation—acid stomach—food souring—acid dyspepsia—gastric trouble—take your stomach trouble right with you to your pharmacist and ask him to open a 60-cent case of Pape's Diapiesin and let you eat one 2-grain tablet and see if within five minutes there is left any trace of your former misery.

Prove to yourself in five minutes that your stomach is as good as any; that there is nothing really wrong. Stop this fermentation and begin eating what you want without fear of discomfort or misery.

Almost instant relief is waiting for you. It is merely a matter of how soon you take a little Diapiesin—Adv.

TREAT FOR NEWSIES PLANNED BY BIJOU

Theater to Entertain Five Hundred
Times Boys at Performance
Tomorrow Night.

Five hundred Times newsboys will be the guests of the management of the Bijou Theater at tomorrow night's performance. The newsies will have an entire section of the theater to themselves, and their usefulness will enjoy themselves to the full.

The theater management will put on a number of extra specialties for the benefit of the newsboys and everything will be done to make their night out one of complete enjoyment. A number of the acts doubtless will make a special appeal to the newsies, there being wrestling bears and shaggy brown performers who walk the tight rope and perform other stunts, exhibitions of plain and fancy skating, dancing, of every kind, jokes galore from a large array of comedians, scores of popular songs and thirty pretty girls in elaborate and spectacular costumes.

Half an hour before the performance begins the newsies will assemble on the Bijou and march in a body to their seats.

OPEN NOSTRILS! END A COLD OR CATARRH

How To Get Relief When Head
and Nose Are Stuffed Up.

Count fifty! Your cold in head or catarrh disappears. Your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more sneezing, hawking, mucous discharge, dryness or headache; no struggling for sleep at night.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist and apply a little of this fragrant antiseptic cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothing and healing the swollen or inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Head colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed-up and miserable. Relief is sure—Adv.

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arbitration board had recommended \$10,000, it would have been paid without protest.

Permanent Receiver For Smith Newspapers

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 9.—The Fidelity Trust Company of Newark has been made permanent receiver of James Smith's two newspapers, the Newark Morning Eagle and the Newark Evening Star.

An inventory of the plants will be forthcoming in a few days, together with a statement showing what offers have been privately made for the publication.

'Suffers 180 Wounds.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Artilleryman W. Birch, who has fought from Mons to Gallipoli, has thus far suffered 180 wounds, mostly shrapnel, and is still in the ring.

Why Leave Theater Fire After Paying 30 Cents?

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—A small fire in a room off the stage of Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theater yesterday afternoon did \$500 damage, but did not cause the management near so much trouble as did members of the audience.

As soon as the blaze was discovered the film operator flashed "Good Night!" and the asbestos curtain was lowered. But the manager, James Mullin, and his assistants had much difficulty in inducing persons to depart. A woman in the balcony with her small son and daughter was told the machine had broken down and she might have to wait for hours for another show. "I'll wait," she replied. "I paid 30 cents, and I want my money's worth." A policeman led her out and two others carried out the boy and the girl.

Relief for Catarrh Sufferers Now FREE

You Can Now Treat This Trouble in Your
Own Home and Get Relief at Once.

How the Remedy for Catarrh
Was Discovered.

By the new method the nose and throat are treated by an effective remedy applied directly to the affected membranes.

bring the disease back as fast as local treatments could relieve it.

C. E. Gauss, who experimented for years on a treatment for Catarrh, found that after perfecting a balm that relieved the nose and throat troubles quickly, he could not prevent the trouble beginning all over again.

On test cases, he could completely remove all signs of Catarrh from nose and throat, but in a few weeks they were back.

Careful experiments and investigations have shown that as the troubles were expelled from the nose and throat, the real cause of the disease was overlooked and in a short time the Catarrh would return stronger than ever. Mr. Gauss has gone way ahead of the ordinary methods of treatment and has provided a remedy that

Removes the Cause and Immediately Gives Relief to the Nose and Throat

Reese Jones, of Scranton, Penn., says that after trying many other treatments, he used this new method and—"My nose is now entirely clear and free and I am not bothered by the disease any more. The New Combined Treatment is worth its weight in gold."

Temporary relief from catarrh may be obtained in other ways, but the New Combined Treatment must inevitably be accepted for permanent results.

Sarah J. Cape, Mount Pella, Tenn., says: "I suffered the pains and distress of catarrh for thirteen years and was needless to state, tried nearly every method. But by your new method I was completely cured and you cannot imagine the joy that has come over me."

This new method is so important to the welfare of humanity, so vital to every person suffering from any form of catarrh, that the opportunity to actually test it and prove its results, will be gladly extended without one cent of cost.

A large trial treatment, with complete, minute directions, will be sent free to any catarrh sufferer.

Send no money, take no risks, make no guesses. Simply fill, sign and mail the coupon and the test package of the New Combined Treatment will be sent, fully equipped, together with the valuable book on Catarrh.

Send the Test Treatment FREE

C. E. GAUSS,
7330 Mala Street, Marshall, Mich.

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